A.A.S. Early Care and Education into the BSECE, BESE, And BIS
Articulation Agreement
Between
The Curators of the University of Missouri on behalf of the
The University of Missouri- St. Louis
And
St. Louis Community College

This program-to-program articulation agreement is the result of joint meetings of the University of Missouri Office of Undergraduate Education hereinafter referred to as UMSL and the Education faculty of St. Louis Community College hereinafter referred to as SLCC. UMSL and SLCC agreed that both institutions value this cooperative agreement and that this agreement will best serve current students of both institutions.

Addressed in this Agreement is the: 1) Rationale for said agreement; 2) Current Situation and, 3) the Academic Rigor and Quality of Programming.

Attached as Appendices are: 1) Correspondence with another four year colleague regarding the success of such agreements; 2) Proposed Course Equivalencies and 3) A policy recommendation -Early Childhood Education Programs at Missouri’s Public Higher Education Institutions.

Conditions of the Joint Agreement:

Section 1: Admissions and Matriculation

UMSL and SLCC agree to inform education students of the existence of this program-to-program agreement and its advantages.

UMSL and SLCC agree that SLCC students with an AAS degree will transfer in a maximum of 60 credit hours.

UMSL and SLCC agree that 27 ECE (Early Care and Education) credit hours will transfer from the AAS ECE degree to the BSECE (Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education) and BESE (Bachelor of Education Studies).

UMSL and SLCC agree that articulation from the AAS degree to the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies (BIS) is more generous, but is dependent on the advisor’s willingness to accept the courses from the AAS degree.
UMSL and SLCC agree that any general education courses taken at SLCC that match the general education requirements for the BSECE, BESE or BIS are accepted.

UMSL and SLCC agree that, while 20 hours of general education credits are earned in the AAS, some of these credits may not be appropriate for transfer into a degree program at the university.

UMSL and SLCC will cooperatively develop, regularly review and update advisement materials. This enables students to meet the terms of this agreement and transfer to UMSL with maximum ease.

**Section II: Transfer of Credit**

See attached *Proposed Articulation for Early Childhood Courses*

UMSL and SLCC agree that the AAS student will be strong in the early childhood area but will need more work in the general education area so approximately 45 hours of credit are expected to transfer from the AAS ECE to the BSECE and BESE (27 hours of ECE courses and 18-20 hours of general education courses)

**Section III: Appendices**

Rationale for Agreement
Proposed Course Equivalencies
*Early Childhood Education Programs at Missouri’s Public Higher Education Institutions- A Policy Recommendation*

**Terms of the Agreement:**

This agreement is made and entered into in the academic year 2006 and remains in effect unless changed in writing by mutual agreement of both institutions. Both institutions hereby indicate full agreement to the terms and conditions included above and honoring of the course, program and other requirements outlined in the UMSL transfer guides. This agreement may be amended at any time with the approval of both institutions and is subject to review every year to assure currency with the respective degree requirements. Should either institution desire to discontinue this agreement, advance notification of two years will be required.

Additional copies of this agreement may be requested through the UMSL Office of Transfer Services and Articulation, 225 MSC, 314-516-5162.
Signatures:

The Junior College District of St. Louis (SLCC) and the University of Missouri-St. Louis (UMSL) hereby enter into this articulation agreement leading from the Associate of Applied Science degree in Early Care and Education to the Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education, Bachelor of Educational Studies and the Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies degrees by affixing the signatures of the chief executive officers of both institutions.

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Dr. Henry Shannon          Dr. John Ganio
Chancellor                  Vice Chancellor for Education
St. Louis Community College St. Louis Community College
St. Louis, Missouri         St. Louis, Missouri

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Date

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Dr. Thomas F. George        Dr. Glen Hahn Cope
Chancellor                  Provost
University of Missouri- St. Louis University of Missouri –St. Louis
St. Louis, Missouri          St. Louis, Missouri

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Date